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6 Mo. Overseers - every 3 years. 1933-36-39

6 mo. Appoint clerk

7 mo. Treasurer - appointed

8 mo. Appoint - Funeral Committee.

12 mo. Appoint - Committee to collect accounts of birth and deaths and report.

12 Mo. Appoint Recorder

1 st. mo. Appoint committee to examine Treasurers account & report.

1) Read General Queries before each Quarterly Meeting

2) Read and Answer Specific queries at the monthly meeting before Quarterly and yearly meetings.

3) Advises read in Eleventh Month.

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1939.

Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R. I. 1mo. 28th. 1939.

One representative was present at the Quarterly meeting. There is no report at this time from the committee to examine the records.

It being the usual time to examine the treasurers account Anna Foster is appointed to that Service and report at our next meeting.

No further business we conclude to meet next mo. if permitted

Elizabeth Foster
clerk.

Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R. I. 25th of Second Month 1939.

Anna Foster reports the treasurers accounts are in proper order with a balance on hand of $24.32. There is no report from the committee to examine the records.

There being no further business at this time we conclude to meet next month if permitted.

E. Foster clerk.

Nantucket Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. the 25th of 3 month 1939.
Henry C Foster in behalf of the Committee to examine the records reports that they are properly kept and up to date. We appoint Albert S Scott jr. Elizabeth Foster and Henry C. Foster as our representatives to the approaching Quarterly meeting at Westerly R.I. The queries have been read as directed no further business we conclude purposing to meet next month if permitted. Elizabeth Foster clerk

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. the 29th of 4 mo. 1939.
Two of the representatives attended the Quarterly mtg. A letter from the American Friends Fellowship Council was read. It informs members of the help and contacts to be gained through the Wider Quaker Fellowship
The meeting was united in contributing the sum of

2# to the use of this work by the Fellowship Council.
No further business at this time we conclude to meet at the
usual time next month if permitted E.T. clerk

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at
West Warwick R.I. the 27th of 5 mo. 1939
A letter was received from Chester A. Smith, chairman
of the Peace and Social order Committee of New
England young Friends inclosing a Query and
Advises on the need to examine our Peace
Principals. Friends were brought up with these
Principals but it is very necessary for us to re-
consider them in regard to this Christian
basis. We purpose to meet at the usual time
next month if Permitted. E.T. clerk.
P.S. a copy of this minute was forwarded to the
said committee Singed on behalf of the meeting

Nantucket Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R I on 25th of 6 mo. 1939

By arraingement the meeting is held on the last First Day (of the month) and this plan will continue during the Summer.

It being the usual time to appoint a clerk for this meeting, Elizabeth Foster is appointed for the following year. The supplementary queries have been read together with answers which are satisfactory to this meeting.

The overseers are directed to add to this report any further statistics they think interesting, and forward to the Quarterly (Rhode Island & Sandwich) meeting by Millicent Foster, Mary C Foster and Elizabeth Foster whome we appoint as our representatives.

It being the usual time to appoint Overseers for this meeting Henry C. Foster and Anna Foster

Minutes 1939 - 1942 H.C. Foster & Anna

are represented for a period of three years.
The General Queries have been read for our
instruction. No further business we conclude
to meet next month if permitted. E.F. clerk.

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at
Westbury Rice N.Y. the 23rd of 1mo. 1940 and
the representatives to the Quarterly meeting were
all in attendance. It being the usual time to
appoint Treasurer for this meeting Henry [illegible]
was appointed for the following year.
It plan to hold a joint meeting with Providence
monthly meeting 5th mo. 4th 1940 consideration
the meeting is united in extending a
cordial invitation to that meeting. The
clerk is directed to forward such
invitation. Millicent Foster and Elizabeth
Frost are appointed a committee to have

charge of the

Friends Intelligencer

Nantucket

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held the 28th of Tenth month 1939. at West Interwicket [illegible]
The representatives were present at the Quarterly meeting. A statement from the New England Young Friends Conference held at Nahant. Mass. Tenth mo. 6th 7. 1939 was read. It states the possibility of American participation in war calls for a reconsideration of the convictions we hold as Christian objectors to war. Also recommending three points of action for the monthly meetings to take. To register members of draft age (18-45). In case of War give them counsel and support. Organize study

groups to help Friends mature our effective presentation of their beliefs. We feel our responsibility and do await information from the committee appointed by the meeting of Sufferings. A letter from Rufus Jones stating the present work of the American Friends Service Committee and asking for funds was read. The meeting suggests sending 2D for this work. no further business we conclude to meet at the usual time in 11 month if permitted

Elizabeth Foster cl

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. the 25 th of 11 mo. 1939

The actions have been read at this time. may we feel the essential truths before us and test our lives by them. No further business we propose to meet again if permitted.

E. Foster, recorder

Nantucket monthly meeting of friends held at West Warwick RI the 30th of 12 month 1930

It being the usual time to appoint a recorder for the meeting the clerk is reappointed to that office. Jane M. Foster and John Foster are appointed a committee to collect the account of births and deaths and inspect the records for the past year and report at the next meeting. We appoint Anna Foster and Henry Foster as our representatives to the next Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly meeting. It be held at Cambridge Mass. in joint session with Salem Quarterly Meeting. No further business we conclude to meet in first mo: if permitted.

E. Foster clerk.

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on 2 month 3rd 1931 by adjournment. Some of the representatives were not able to attend

the Quarterly meeting on account of illness
The committee appointed to examine the
records report there were no births or deaths
and the records are correctly kept. The Treasu-
-rers book is in order and vouchers filed with a
balance of $28.09. No further business we conclu-
-de to meet at the usual time if permitted Ester the

Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West
Warwick R.I. the 24th of Second month 1870.
There being no business we conclude to met at the
usual time 3rd month if permitted Ester Worth

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held
at West Warwick R.I. the 30th of Third month 187
We appoint William C. Foster, Lewis Foster and Henry
Foster as representatives to the next Quarterly Meeting
We appoint Elizabeth Foster Jane R. Foster and Mille

Foster a committee to have the care and [illegible]
of the approaching Quarterly meetings Nantucket Monthly
meeting hosts - this time. The Queries have been read in
our meeting. no Queries answered at this time we
conclude to meet in 4 mo. [illegible]

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at
West Warwick R. I. on Fourth month 27th 1940.
Anna Foster reports the representatives were
present at the Quarterly meeting. A statement of
belief in Friends opposition to all war was
read from Albert L. Scott Jr. It also contained
his personal declaration of non military
cooperation. no further business at this
time we conclude purporing to meet in 5th
month if permitted.

Elizabeth Foster Clerk.

Yearly Meet Monthly meeting of Friends
held at least twice a year in Sixth Month
By management the Fifth month meeting
omitted. Hereafter the Summer this meeting
will be held on the last First day of the month
Having the power to appoint a clerk Eliz. Tuft
is reappointed for the following year. The
subscriptions papers were read, also the
names were satisfactory to the meeting
and will be presented to the Quarterly meeting
Ida Upper & Emma Foster, Rebecca Foster and
Henry C Foster as representatives to the Quarterly
Meeting in North Dartmouth Mass. A letter was
read from the Women Friends Service Committee
stating their present plans of work and the
clerk is asked to collect funds and receive
information about the work of the committee
A letter was read from Katherine E. Cook claiming

of the American Young Friends Fellowship Committee
giving information of the Eastern Regional
conference to be held at Cadwallader School Fairhope
N.J. Seventh month 13 - to 20 1930. The
General queries have been read relating
to Sunday as a more educational life. Meeting
for business was concluded to meet in Seventh Month
if permitted. Elizabeth Cleveland

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Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends
[illegible] arrangement the 11th of 8 month

was read from Advices & Queries [illegible] pastoral concern. We appoint as friends Thera Hoag and Jane Richie and Mildred Bell and William Foster to attend the monthly and report at our next meeting. We also ask Chester and Gertrude Smith to attend Cambridge meeting, Sears to attend the meeting which is to take place at Friends Meeting house in Cambridge, Mass. on 7th of 8 mo. 43rd. We appoint William Foster to receive and consider communications from the Committee of Friends War Problems affiliated with Peace Section of American Friends Service Committee, also give his support in the [illegible] and further services at this time. We [illegible] to meet in ninth month if [illegible]

Elizabeth Bates
Clerk

Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Hunn
[illegible]
[illegible] on the 29th of 9th Month 1940.

Henry Foster reported that all the committee attended the marriage of Albert J Scott Jr and Ilen Now and that it was [illegible] properly conducted and was felt to be a Solemn occasion.

A letter was also received from Chester and Gertrude Smi[illegible] of Boston monthly meeting stating that the marriage was [illegible] properly entered into. [illegible] Consent [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[

72 an excellent monthly meeting of Friends held
at West Grove on the 24 of 11 month 1780
The Youth monthly meeting was permitted
The representatives were present at the Quar-
terly meeting. The committee prepared a letter
for the former stating our peace principles
which was
endorsed by the representatives of the several
signed by the clerks.
It was printed in part by one Fenno
and in part by one other printer.
a copy is directed to be expended on
the minutes. a receipt
given from the Friends Service Committee
the sum of
the Sum of is to be collected from members.
no further business to come
meet in 12 mo 3 permitted
The minutes have been read.

Elizabeth Pettit
Clerk.

Nantucket mo. meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on 5th of First mo. 1941 it being the usual time to appoint a recorder the clerk is asked to continue that service. William C. Foster and John H. Foster are appointed a committee to examine the records and report at our next meeting. We appoint Elizabeth Foster and Henry C. Foster as our representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held at Friends Meeting House in Cambridge Mass.

The general queries have been read at this time. No further business we propose to meet at the usual time if permitted

Elizabeth Foster
clerk

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held the 23rd of Second month 1941 at West Warwick R.I.
The First month monthly meeting was omitted.
The representatives to the last Quarterly meeting were in attendance.

The committee appointed to examine the records report they are in order and up to date.
The subject of contributing funds (for ~~remodeling a room~~) to help in establishing a Friends Center in Prov. R.I. was considered.
The meeting is united in contributing $25. towards remodeling a room for this purpose in the meeting house belonging to the Providence Monthly meeting of Friends at North Main St. Prov. R.I.
The treasurer is authorized to draw on the meetings account.
No further business we conclude to meet at the usual time if permitted. E. Foster clerk.

Nantucket Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on Third month 30th 1941.

A reciept and expression of appreciation for the 25 dollars given for the new Friends Center was received from the treasurer of the Committee

An application for membership was recieved from Ilen n. Scott of Boston and presented by the Overseers. The meeting appoints Thyra Jane Foster and Elizabeth Foster a committee to have an interview with her and report at a future meeting

We appoint William O. Foster and Elizabeth Foster as our representatives to the approaching Quarterly meeting to be held in Westerly R.I.

The General queries have been read at this ti

No further business at this time we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next mo. if permitted.

Elizabeth Foste
clerk

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on Fourth Month 27th, 1941.

The representatives were present at the Quarterly meeting. The committee reports a satisfactory interview with Ten noa Scott concerning her request for membership in Nantucket mo. meeting. also a letter was read from Henry Perry stating he was satisfied that for Ten Scott the principals of Friends have real meaning. The meeting unites in accepting her into membership and feels she will be a help to us. The clerk is directed to advise her of its action. A letter of commendation endorsing the work of the "National Committee on Food for the Small Democracies" was approved and signed on behalf of the meeting.

To the National Committee on Food for Small Democracies, 420 Lexington Ave. N.Y. city N.Y.

We express heart felt sympathy for the

millions of suffering people in the small Democracies of Europe who are facing starvation and fully endorse the proposa to send immediate relief.

No further business we conclude purposi to meet iseept month if permitted

E. Foster clerk.

Nantucket monthly meeting held at West Warwick R.I. on Seventh month 13 - 1941, (by arrangement) Fifth mo. meeting was omitted.

The time for which the clerk was appointed having expired Elizabeth Foster is asked to serve another year.

We appoint: Millicent Foster, Albert C. Foster and Henry C. Foster as our representatives to the next Quarterly meeting to be held at North Dartmouth Mass. The General Queries have been read also the supplementry Queries. Answers to the supplementary queries are to be sent to the Quarterly meeting, also any other interesting information.

The meeting directs the clerk to send a message of love and sympathy to Albert L. Scott Jr. member who has been sentanced to the Federal Penitentiary for refusal to regester for the millitary draft.

millicent Foster attended the court trial at Boston. The treasurer is directed to pay her the sum of 2# to cover the cost of the trip no further business we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time if permitted.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Nantucket monthly meeting held at West Warwick R.I. the 24th of 8th month 1941. The Seventh month meeting was omitted.

The meeting was united in reappointing Henry C. Foster as treasurer and for the funeral committee Millicent Foster and Henry C Foster to serve the comming year.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting were present except one.

Information was received that Albert L. Scott Jr. Ria was released from the penitentiary (Danbury Con.) on 8-15-1941 He is now in the Civilian Work Camp at Petersham mass.

No further business at this time we conclude to meet at the usual time next month if permitted. E.F. clark.

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on 9 mo. 28 - 1941.

We appoint Anna Foster and William O Foster as representatives to the Quarterly meeting. Thyra Jane Foster, Elizabeth Foster and Anna Foster are named a Committee to help in arrangements ing for R.I. & Sandwich Quarterly meeting to be held at North Main St. meeting house, Providence R.I. on 10 mo. 18 - 1941. Thyra Jane Foster and Elizabeth Foster are reappointed to serve on the meeting for sufferings until 1947. no further business we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next mo. if permitted

Elizabeth Foster clerk

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on 11th mo 23-1941.
The 10th month meeting was not held.
The representatives were present at the Quarterly meeting. The Committee on arrangements for the Quarterly meeting reports that the entertainment was satisfactory. We wish to acknowledge the assistante given by Elizabeth Chace (of Providence R.I.) The meeting authorizes the treasurer to pay one dollar for the use of the dinning room (or Center) also to pay for heat and janitor service.
no further business we conclude to meet at the usual time next month if permitted.

Elizabeth Foster clerk

Nantucket Mo. meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on Twelfth Month 25th - 1741.

The Treasurer reports that part of the bill has been paid for the use of the meeting at our last meeting and the remainder will be settled soon.

We appoint Anna Foster and Thyra Jan Foster as our representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held in Cambridge Mass.

It being the usual time to appoint a committee to examine the records William Foster and John H. Foster are appointed to that service. The general queries were read. Elizabeth Foster is reappointed as recorder. no further business we conclude to meet at usual time next mo. if permitted.

E. Foster clerk.

1942.

Nantucket mo. meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on 3 mo. 29, 1942
The first month and second month meetings were not held. The representatives to the last Quarterly meeting were both in attendance. The Committee reports the records are kept up to date.
We appoint Anna Foster and Henry C Foster as our representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held at Westerly in Fourth Month.
This meeting unites in a concern to hold meetings for Worship on First days during the summer at East Greenwich meeting house.
We appoint Mary C Foster, Anna Foster and Thera Jane Foster a committee to make the necessary arrangements. The clerk is directed to write to Providence monthly meeting for permission to use the Meeting House.

A request comes from Robert Leach asking for this meeting's oversight of an appointed meeting of Worship ~~to be held~~ he proposes to hold this summer on Marthas Vineyard. The clerk is directed to write Robert Leach at Pendle Hill for definite plans.

The meeting approves of giving 10. dollars toward the expenses of speakers at the Conference on "closer (relations) organization of Friends in Southern New England." held in Friends Meeting House Prov. R.I. 3rd. mo. 14 & 15, 1942.

The clerk is directed to write to Albert and Ten Scott expressing our continued love and interest. The queries were read at this time Each friend present taking a share in the reading. no further business we now conclude. Elizabeth Foster, clerk.

Over seers appointed for 3 years
Mary and J. Jane Foster. 1942-1945

1942

Nantucket Monthly meeting of Friends held the 12th of Seventh mo. 1942 at West Warwick R.I.

It being the usual time to appoint a clerk to serve the meeting, Elizabeth Foster is reappointed for the ensuing year.
Henry Foster reports the representatives attended the last Quarterly Meeting.
The term of service having expired for which the over-seers were appointed, we now appoint Mary C. Foster and Thyra Jane Foster who will serve for three years. We appoint John Foster and Millicent Foster as our representatives to the Quarterly meeting in North Dartmouth Mass.

The committee in charge of ~~holding~~ meetings for worship in the East Greenwich

meeting house report under present circumstances the plan is difficult to carry out.

The general queries were read in rotation

State of the Meeting for past year.

Albert L. Scott Jr. has finished his parole at the Civilian Public Service Camp at Petersham Mass. and has returned to civilian life.

Two of our members have regestered under the United States Service Act and one received defered clasificati (called 3. A.)

No meetings for worship under the care of Nantucket and no. meeting have been held at West Warwick the past year. Our members have attended a joint meeting of Friends in the Providence area.

Education — One member attends college. Two attend Friends Boarding School. Three are in Public School.

Elizabeth Foster clerk

copy of letter given to Robert Leach.

Robert J. Leach of Pendle Hill has layed before this meeting a request to hold a meeting for Divine Worship at Edgartown Mass. on 4 day the 29th of Seventh Month 1942 under the care of Nantucket Monthly Meeting.

This meeting has unity with his request and desires to encourage him and those who may gather with him in this concern

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on 20th of 12 mo. 1942. Several meetings have not been held. The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read.

Robert J. Leach returned the minute granted to him (in Seventh month) to hold a meeting for worship on marthas Vineyard, also a letter stating his satisfaction in the way it was carried out. This report is satisfactory to us. The representatives to the last Quarterly meeting were present.

Elizabeth Foster is reappointed as recorder

William P. Foster and Harrold Foster are appointed a committee to examine the records also the treasurers account

Mildred Foster and Henry C. Foster are reappointed on funeral committee for another year

We appoint Anna Foster and Henry C. Foster as over

representatives to the next Quarterly Meeting at Cambridge Mass.

The Advices were read at this time.

Millicent Foster made a report on the deliberations of the Committee for closer relations with all Friends in New England. Stating also plans of an all day (or one day) conference to be held at Lynn Mass in Second Month 1948

no further business we conclude

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

Margaret S

1943.

Nantucket Monthly meeting of Friends held by arrangement at Providence R.I. on Fourth Month 25, 1943.

The minutes of the Twelfth month meeting were read. Several meetings have not been held. One representative was present at the Quarterly meeting.

Three of our members attended the conference on "closer relations with all Friends in New England" held at Lynn Mass. The meeting was very well attended and much interest shown and fellowship with other Friends was helpful. Howard Brinton of Pendle Hill gave an address on back ground of the various branches of Friends.

We appoint Anna Foster and Thyra Jane Foster

as our representatives to Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly meeting to be held at North Main St. Prov. R.I. in joint session with Rhode Island Quarterly meeting.

The committee to examine the treasurers account find it correct, with total balance of ₹306.19. We appoint Millicent Foster, Mary C. Foster, Henry C. Foster and Thera Foster a committee to help in the arrangement at the Quarterly meeting.

This meeting is interested in the preservation of the old East Greenwich Friends meeting house and would occasionaly hold meetings for Worship there as way opened.

no further business we conclude.

Elizabeth Foster, clerk.

Nantucket mo. meeting held at West Warwick R.I. on Sixth mo. 20. 1943

The representative to the Quarterly meeting reports the meeting for Worshi was held jointly with the Rhode Islan Quarterly meeting, while the business sessions were separate. Though there wer differences we felt it was a step to further understanding and cooperation betwee the groups.

We appoint Millicent Foster and Anna Fos as our representatives to the Quarterly meeting to be held at North Dartmouth Mass by them we forward our answers to the Supplementry Queries

It being the usual time to appoint a clerk for the ensuing year Elizabeth Foster is reappointed.

a letter was recieved from Albert L Scott Jr. giving his latest Selective Service Classificatio which is

Millicent Foster gave a report from meeting of the Conn. Valley association of Friends held at Hartford

The queries were reads with a time for meditation after each.

No further business we conclude

Elizabeth Foster.

Nantucket Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on the 9th of First Month 1944. The minutes of last meeting were read. Several meetings have not been held. The clerk is asked to see that the minutes of the past year are properly recorded.

We appoint Anna Foster and Henry C Foster as our representatives to R.I. and Sandwich Quarterly meeting.

We appoint Elizabeth Foster chairman of a committee to make necessary arrangements for holding the Quarterly Meeting at North Main St. Meeting house Prov. R.I.

We appoint Anna Foster and William O. Foster as a committee to meet with like committees from the other Monthly meetings in the Providence area, to consider and make plans for combining the three

monthly meetings. The Prov. monthly meeting, the Prov. Fellowship monthly meeting, and the Nantucket monthly mtg.

no further business we conclude

E. F. clerk.

Nantucket monthly meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on Second month 20th. 1944.

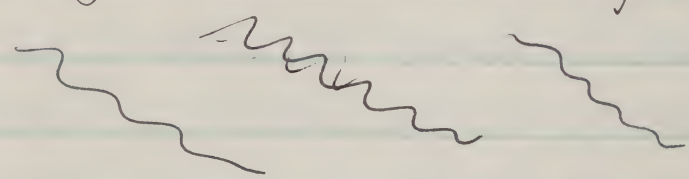
The minutes of the last meeting were read. The representatives to R. Island and Sandwich ~~were~~ Quarterly meeting were present. The meeting was held at Providence as planned and the arrangement committee states the sum of 5.# was paid for the use of the meeting house and $3. for refreshments. The treasurer is authorized to draw that amount from the bank account.

The committee appointed last ~~time~~ month to meet with other monthly meeting committees to discuss plans for a united meeting gave the following report. After a full discussion the

meeting is united and we accept the report.

The Report

Recomendations of the Joint Com. on Union of the three monthly meetings in Pro



We appoint Henry C Foster and William C. Foster a committee to look into the matter of the neglected state of the Friends burial ground on the Island, which is at present in the perpetual care of the Town of Nantucket. The meeting directs the committee to call on the treasurer for funds up to the amount of $25.

Henry C Foster made a report of the number of and contents of Nantucket monthly meeting vital records and meeting minutes including the years from 4 mo. 1708 to 1944.

The collection contains 36 books. Book number 6. is missing supposed to be lost. (book of mtg. minutes)

We appoint Millicent S. Foster and Anna Foster a committee with three functions 1. Propose name of clerk for first meeting. 2. To study what com. to keep to meet with other like names 3. to propose slate of permanent com. and officers. They will also be our representatives to the first United monthly meeting to be held on Fourth month 2 - 1944.

We appoint Mrs. Jane Foster and Elizabeth

Foster as committee to write a reason closing minute stating ~~the cause~~ for the and the hopes of the union. and present it at our next meeting.

A letter dated 1-12-1944 was received from Pocomoke Monthly meeting signed by Charles R Read and William M. Stanton Jr. Clerks It brings greetings for 1944 from C.P.S #52 camp Pocomoke ~~Md~~. Powellsville Md. We can share in their concern to constantly seek Divine guidance to make our daily lives consistant with our Christian testimony. To keep alive To nurture those qualities of of sensitiveness to spiritual leadings and active love for our fellow men. The clerk is directed to make a suitable reply. No further business we conclude to meet again if permitted. Elizabeth Foster clerk.

nantucket mo. meeting of Friends held at West Warwick R.I. on Third Month 26th 1944.

The minutes of last meeting were read and corrected.

Henry C Foster reports he has corresponded with the town clerk of nantucket about the present unkept condition of the Friends burial ground. The Town recognizes its responsibility and will make improvements promptly. This report is acceptable to the meeting.

The treasurer is authorized to close out the meetings bank account and transfer the sum of $324. over to the treasurer of the new

Providence Mo. meeting.
Henry C Foster has corresponded with the Nantucket Historical Society on the care and preservation of the mo. meeting records & books. The meeting directs Henry C Foster and Elizabeth Foster to make further inquiry before the Nantucket Historical Society assumes the custody.
We appoint Thera Jane Foster and Elizabeth Foster our representatives to ~~carry~~ present to the Rhode Island and Sandwich Qr. mtg to be held 4-15 our request to join in membership with the new Providence Mo. mtg.
Thera Jane Foster read the proposed closing minute which was

approved by the meeting.
The queries were read followed by
a period of silence
no further business we conclude

E7. clerk.

P.S. The closing minute for Nantucket
Monthly Meeting adopted Third Month 26th 1944
at West Warwick R.I.

After a period of 232 years of continuous
organization, we find ourselves a small
meeting of Friends in the vicinity of Providence
R.I.

In 1865, a group of Friends living in
Rhode Island and Massachusetts mainland,
feeling near sympathy with Friends of
Nantucket monthly meeting, were received
into membership by it.

This group survived the active membership on the Island and our meeting has been held elsewhere for over 50 years.
In 1911 it became a part of the present New England Yearly meeting of Friends.
Through out their long history, Nantucket Friends have lived close to their sense of Divine guidance, holding before them high principals of thought and action.
They have been willing to follow these principals closely in their living, no matter what the cost to them personally.
Our members now desire to join with Providence Monthly meeting and Providence Fellowship Monthly meeting to form a New-Providence Monthly meeting.
It is with heart felt regret that we suspend the activities of this meeting Subject

to the final approval of Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, until such time as it may again become active on the Island of Nantucket, Concern in the matter being transfered to this Quarterly meeting.

We have placed our records in the care of a committee and added our bank account to that of the new Providence monthly meeting.

We have appointed Millicent Foster and Anna Foster to serve with a joint committee from the other two meetings in setting up the new meetings

It is with the hope, as our members join with these other Friends, to whom we are closely bound by proximity and friendly feeling, this 2nd day of

Fourth month 1944, that the powers residing latent in us because of our long heritage, may spring forth into larger service.

Elizabeth Foster clerk.

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Ans. to Supplementary Queries

1. No ministers or elders have died during the past year
2. Only 1 meeting ~~No meetings~~ for worship have been held at West Warwick. The members have attended meetings for worship in the Providence Union meeting
3. Our records are carefully kept as directed
4. No material assistance has been required.
5. Friends are well informed of the availability of Friends Schools.
6. There have been no cases requiring judgement
7. The Queries have been read, with 2 exceptions. Specific Queries read + answers forwarded to Yr. Mtg.

One of our members attends College

Two attend Friends Boarding School

Three are in Public School

one new member

Margaret Ann Scott
born 9-21-1942

TO P.D. of Sandwich Q.M.'s

Dear Friends

We forward our answers to the Supplementary queries

To the Editor -

Authorized by Nantucket Mo. Mtg. 10th Mo. 1940.

In these days of confused thinking we wish to reaffirm our belief in the fundamental brotherhood of man demonstrated to us by the life & teachings of Jesus Christ. Upon this foundation is based our democratic system of government with its respect for the rights of the individual brought about in practice through the cooperation of all:

Without free speech, the right of assembly and the free press, our freedom of religion would have little meaning.

In the affairs of men, certain evils come to be of such importance as to dwarf all others. War is such an evil in our day.

We oppose it, because in the economic

field, it is destructive rather than constructive. In the social field it is a step backward away from democratic organization and operation of society. But most of all, in the religious realm, war with its conscription, killing, organized deception and mass hate, is the direct opposite of Christianity, which stands for freedom of choice based upon conscious, truth and spiritual love.

All the world longs for the time when war will be no more, but this will happen only thru individual faithfulness to convictions under the guidance of the Spirit of Christ.

It should be our task in the days ahead to keep clearly in mind the kind of citizen

we deem most desirable, the kind of government most worthy of perpetuating. the kind of Country that shall reflect the power of Love as a positive force in the world. We should do our upmost in what ever places we find ourselves to demonstrate the practicability of these ideals here and now.

May we enlist the cooperation of our fellow citizens in bringing about a greater and truer brotherhood.

Providence 8th mo 27th 1865.

Dear Friend
Pauline Foster.

Although not long since I sent thee a few lines, and I have not much to write, yet the omission of one point in my last induces me thus early to take the pen.

I think I wrote thee that a committee was appointed at the Quarterly Meeting to furnish the next Quarterly Meeting with the names of such who were joined to that meeting by an action of our last annual meeting; but I forgot to state who that committee were, in order that thou or thy husband might transmit to some one thereof, the names of such that way, who wish to be considered members of Sandwich Quarter. I suppose it would be well for the children's names to be also given in full. (where there are any) Names of the committee as for as I remember. From the women's meeting Mary Page, Lydia Ann Gould, and Abby L Chase beside two or more belonging on Nantucket,

In the meeting of men Friends Watson Page & Israel Buffington were appointed.
I suppose George Henson would wish his name to be taken. Has he a middle name?—
I have thought much of you lately but have not felt well any way ~~lately~~. Home at present is the best place. Just now sister Mary with her husband & daughter are spending a little time down in Westport with some friends of theirs and I am housekeeper, my oldest sister is still in New York state. Mother has not been very well but is rather improved. I am looking toward Newport sometime but know not when I shall be there. I seem to be very uncertain, and I think dear Lydia Ann has on this found it out, but my dear friend how can we say thus & so will we do?— will it not bring sorrow?—
I believe I am sincere in the desire to be in my right place, and not be too forward in going from place to place: although circumstances have required my being rather active for a year past in several directions. By a letter from Mary Brinton recently I learned that her health was a little insecure again, and I do hope she may be careful of her strength. She feels that some think she can do more & so she tries to exert herself when not really able.
I must now say farewell in love you all, joined herein by dear mother.
Abby L Chace.

Manuscript Records in possession of Henry C. Foster at West Wareh

New England Yearly Meeting

Epistles issued by the Y.M. 1845 - 1862

Men's Minutes 1863-1885

Sandwich 2.M.

Women's Minutes 1845-1865

Nantucket M.M.

Men's Minutes	1772 - 1789	No.2.
" "	1789 - 1824	No.3
" "	1825 - 1839	No.4
" "	1840 - 1873	No.5
		No.6 missing
" "	1900 - 1933	No.7

Women's Minutes 1708 - 1787

" " 1787 - 1813

" " 1813 - 1868, thereafter joint M.M.

Marriage Certificates	1709 - 1755	No.1
" "	1755 - 1817	No.2
" "	1818 - 1914	No.3

Births, Deaths, Receptions, Disownments, Removals Alphabetically Arranged - Collected 1792

Testimonies of Denial, acknowledgements received or accepted, &c. Also Certificates of Removals &c 1776 - 1813

Epistles, mostly received 1791 - 1818

Nantucket M.M. (Northern District)

Men's Minutes 1794 - 1829

Women's " 1794 - 1829

Marriage Certificates 1795 - 1825 No.4

Certificates of Removal, to and from, 1794 - 1828

Extracts from Minutes (Nantucket and Northern District) 1709-18

Dartmouth (Nova Scotia) Prep. M.

Minutes 1789 - 1798

Lynn Prep. M.

Minutes 1793 - 1853

MS. Book of Christian and Brotherly Advices given Fourth by the Y.M. in London, 1756.

Chronological Outline of Nantucket Monthly Mtg.

(as discovered by R.J. Loch from various records; certain dates will have to be checked for accuracy)

1708 - Monthly Mtng set up by Rhode Island M.M. (in Rhode Island 2. M.) composed of Shelburne Mtg. for worship.

1711 - First Mtg House & cemtary (Shelburne)
Institution of Yearly Mtg. for worship held in this house till 1729

1730 - Second Mtg House & cemtary (Nantucket)
Yearly Mtg for worship held in this house till 1829
First Mtg. House taken down & sold.

1752 - Mt. Royal Mtg. for worship established in Nova Scotia; third mtg house built there. M.M. held in second house.

1756 - Nantucket M. M. transfered from Rhode Island 2.M. to Sandwich 2.M., which was held once a year in second house till 1833.

1781 - Mt. Royal Mtg. for worship discontinued; third house (there) sold & taken down.

1791 - Dartmouth Mtg. for worship established in Nova Scotia; fourth mtg. house built there. M.M. held in second house.

1792 - Second mtg. house moved to upper main St. Fifth Mtg. House built on Broad St. M.M.s alternated till 1794

1794 - Northern District Monthly Mtng set up by closing Dartmouth and Broad St. Mtgs. for worship. New M.M. held at fifth mtg. house.

1819 - Dartmouth Mtg House (fourth) sold & taken down.

1829 - Northern District M.M. laid down; Dartmouth and Broad St. Mtgs transfered to Nantucket M.M. latter laid down & house sold to Episcopalian Church (fifth) Yearly Mtg. for worship laid down at second house, M.M. at second house.

1830 – Wicksite separation – Nantucket M.M. smaller body become a part of Westbury Q.M. & New York Y.M.

1831 – Wicksite mtg House built on lower Main St. (sixth house)

1833 – Second house sold & torn down. Orthodox M.M. & mtg. for worship removed to Fair St. (seventh mtg. house)

1840 – Dartmouth mtg. for worship discontinued

1844 – Fifth house burned (Episcopal Church)
Nantucket M.M. (Wicksite) laid down to New York M.M.; mtg. for worship discontinued – sixth house become Atlantic Hall.

1845 – Gurneyite separation – Nantucket M.M. (gurney) become a part of larger body Vandwick Q.M. and New England Y.M. Mtg for worship, M.M. & one session per year of Vandwick Q.M. held at Atlantic Hall till 1850. Undivided Vandwick Q.M. had been held once a year in Fair St. House since 1833. Atlantic Hall is now the Nantucket playhouse

1850 – Eighth mtg house on Centre St. built for Gurney M.M., mtg. for worship, & one session yearly of larger Vandwick Q.M.

1863 – Wilburite M.M. seceded from smaller body Vandwick Q.M. which was held twice a year in Fair St. house after 1845. The mtg was joined by divided portions of Salem and Kingston M.M.s resulting in mtgs. for worship established in Lynn, Mass and Warwick R.I. New England Q.M. established to meeting these places once a year and twice in Fair St. House in Nantucket, Also a Gen. (annual) mtg established in the ninth house.

1864 – Seventh house sold and taken down. School built in 1838 made over into ninth mtg. house. Wilburite M.M. mtg. for worship, 2 sessions of New England Q.M. & Gen mtg. held there.

1867 – Gurneyite M.M. laid down to New Bedford M.M. Mtg. for worship indulged by New Bedford. Larger Vandwick Q.M. discontinued from Nantucket.

1886 – New Bedford M.M. discontinued meetings for worship in 8th mtg House. Nantucket M.M. (Primitive) held four

times a year in 9th house, four times in Lynn & 4 times in Warwick till 1894

1894 - Mtg. for worship in 9th house discontinued. 8th house sold to become a part of a dwelling house. 9th house kept up by Historical Society. M.M. held alternately between Lynn & Warwick, & one. 2.M. removed from 9th house to each of these places (New England 2.M.) Gen. Mtg. discontinued.

1911 - Nantucket M.M. joined Sandwich 2.M. (Wilburite) again & New England 2.M. was discontinued, as was Lynn Mtg. for worship. All M.M.s held at Warwick. 2 sessions of Sandwich 2. M. likewise.

1935 - Sandwich 2.M. joined to Rhode Island 2.M., held once a year at Warwick. M.M. at Warwick

1939 - Mtgs for worship reestablished in 9th house. Nantucket. No 2.M. held at Warwick. M.M. at Warwick

1942 - Mtgs for worship discontinued at Warwick, though M.M. held there.

General remarks

The nine meetinghouses have been used a total of 334 years

Mtgs for worship were maintained on the island a total of 280 years.

Mtgs for worship were maintained off the island a total of 205 years

@ 211 Quarterly meetings were held on the island } Nantucket M.M.
@ 174 Quarterly meetings were held off the island }
149 annual meetings held on the Island.

Undivided M.M lasted 122 yrs. Orthodox lasted 15 years. Hicksite lasted 14 years. Wilburite lasted 49 years. Gurneyite lasted 22 years. Primitive lasted 48 years. N.E.Y.M. lasted 37 years.

total 307 years (in 234 actual years)

CHRONOLOGICAL OUTLINE OF NANTUCKET MONTHLY MEETING

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1708- Monthly Meeting set up by Rhode Island Monthly Meeting (in Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting) composed of Sherburne Meeting for worship.

1711- First Meeting House and cemetery (Sherburne)
Institution of Yearly Meeting for Worship held in this house till 1729

1730- Second Meeting House and cemetery (Nantucket)
Yearly Meeting for Worship held in this house till 1829
First Meeting House taken down and sold

1752- Mount Royal Meeting for worship established in Nova Scotia; third meeting house built there. Monthly Meeting held in second house.

1756- Nantucket Monthly Meeting transferred from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, which was held once a year in second house till 1833.

1781- Mount Royal Meeting for worship discontinued; third house (there) sold and taken down.

1791- Dartmouth Meeting for worship established in Nova Scotia; fourth meeting house built there. Monthly Meeting held in second house.

1792- Second meeting house moved to upper Main Street. Fifth meeting house built on Broad Street. Monthly Meetings alternated till 1794.

1794- Northern District Monthly Meeting set up by releasing Dartmouth and Broad Street Meetings for worship. New Monthly Meeting held at fifth meeting house.

1819- Dartmouth Meeting House (fourth) sold and taken down.

1829- Northern District Monthly Meeting laid down; Dartmouth and Broad Street Meetings transfered to Nantucket Monthly Meeting: latter laid down and house sold to Episcopalian Church (fifth) Yearly Meeting for worship laid down at second house. Monthly Meeting at second house.

1830- Hicksite separation- Nantucket Monthly Meeting, smaller body, became a part of Westbury Quarterly Meeting and New York Yearly Meeting.

1831- Hicksite Meeting House built on lower Main Street (sixth house)

1833- Second House sold and torn down. Orthodox Monthly Meeting and meeting for worship removed to Fair Street (seventh meeting house)

1840- Dartmouth Meeting for worship discontinued

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Nantucket Monthly Meeting (Hicksite) laid down to New York Monthly Meeting; meeting for worship discontinued; sixth house became Atlantic Hall.

1845- Gurneyite separation- Nantucket Monthly Meeting (Gurney) became a part of larger body, Sandwich Quarterly Meeting and New England Yearly Meeting meeting for worship. Monthly Meeting and one session per year of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Atlantic Hall till 1850. Undivided Sandwich Quarterly Meeting had been held once a year in Fair Street House since 1833. Atlantic Hall is now the Nantucket Playhouse.

1850- Eighth meeting house on Center Street built for Gurney Monthly Meeting meeting for worship, and one session yearly of larger Sandwich Quarterly Meeting.

1863- Wilburite Monthly Meeting seceded from smaller body Sandwich Quarterly Meeting which was held twice a year in Fair Street house after 1845. The meeting was joined by divided portions of Salem and Kingston Monthly Meetings resulting in meetings for worship established in Lynn, Massachusetts and Warwick, Rhode Island. New England Quarterly Meeting established to meet in those places once a yearand twice in Fair Street House in Nantucket. Also a General (annual) Meeting established in the seventh house.

1864- Seventh house sold and taken down. School built in 1838 made over into ninth meeting house. Wilburite Monthly Meeting meeting for worship, 2 sessions of New England Quarterly Meeting and General Meeting held there.

1867- Gurneyite Monthly Meeting laid down to New Bedford Monthly Meeting. Meeting for worship indulged by New Bedford. Large Sandwich Quarterly Meeting discontinued from Nantucket.

1886- New Bedford Monthly Meeting discontinued meetings for worship in eighth Meeting House. Nantucket Monthly Meeting (Primitive) held four times a year in ninth house, four times in Lynn, and four times in Warwick till 1894.

1894- Meeting for worship in ninth house discontinued. Eighth house sold to become a part of a dwelling house. Ninth house kept up by Historical Society. Monthly Meeting held alternately between Lynn and Warwick, and one Quarterly Meeting removed from ninth house to each of these places (New England Quarterly Meeting). General Meeting discontinued.

1911- Nantucket Monthly Meeting joined Sandwich Quarterly Meeting (Wilburite) again and New England Quarterly Meeting was discontinued as was Lynn Meeting for worship. All Monthly Meetings held at Warwick. Two sessions of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting likewise.

1935- Sandwich Quarterly Meeting joined to Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, held once a year at Warwick. Monthly Meeting at Warwick.

1939- Meetings for worship reestablished in ninth house, Nantucket. No Qusrterly Meeting held at Warwick. Monthly Meeting at Warwick.

Useful Information

MULTIPLICATION TABLE

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

Table of Time Measure

60 seconds = 1 minute
60 minutes = 1 hour
24 hours = 1 day
7 days = 1 week
30 days = 1 calendar month
12 months = 1 year
365 days = 1 common year
366 days = 1 leap year
100 years = 1 century

Table of Dry Measure

2 pints (pt.) = 1 quart (qt.)
8 quarts = 1 peck (pk.)
4 pecks = 1 bushel (bu.)
1 cord = 128 cu. ft.

Table of Liquid Measure

4 gills (gi.) = 1 pint (pt.)
2 pints = 1 quart (qt.)
4 quarts = 1 gallon (gal.)
31½ gallons = 1 barrel (bbl.)
2 barrels = 1 hogshead (hhd.)

Table of Paper Measure

24 sheets = 1 quire
20 quires = 1 ream
10 reams = 1 bale

Table of Linear Measure

12 inches = 1 foot
3 feet = 1 yard
16½ feet (5½ yds.) = 1 rod
660 feet = 1 furlong
320 rods (5280 ft.) = 1 mile

Table of Cubic Measure

1728 cubic inches = 1 cubic foot
27 cubic feet = 1 cubic yard
128 cubic feet = 1 cord of wood
24¾ cubic feet = 1 perch of stone

NOTE—A cord of wood is a pile 8 feet long, 4 feet wide and 4 feet high.

A perch of stone or brick is 16½ feet long, 1½ feet wide, and 1 foot high.

Table of Circular Measure

60 seconds (") = 1 minute (')
60 minutes = 1 degree (°)
360 degrees = 1 circumference
A degree of the earth's surface on a meridian = 69.16 miles.

Miscellaneous Measures

12 units = 1 dozen
12 doz. = 1 gross
12 gr. = 1 great gross
20 units = 1 score
1 hand = 4 inches
1 fathom = 6 feet
1 knot = 6086 feet
3 knots = 1 league
1 bushel potatoes = 60 lbs.
1 barrel flour = 196 lbs.
1 cu. ft. of water = 7.48 liquid gals. and weighs 62½ lbs.
Diameter of circle x 3.1416 = circumference.
Diameter of circle squared x .7854 = area.
Atmospheric pressure is 14.7 lbs. per sq. in. at sea level.
13½ cu. ft. of air weighs 1 lb.

Table of Avoirdupois Weight

16 drams = 1 ounce (oz.)
16 ounces = 1 pound (lb.)
100 pounds = 1 hundredweight (cwt.)
2000 pounds = 1 ton (T.)
2240 pounds = 1 long ton (L. T.)

Table of Troy Weight

24 grains (gr.) = 1 penny weight (dwt.)
20 penny weights = 1 ounce (oz.)
12 ounces = 1 pound (lb.)

Table of Apothecaries' Weight

20 grains (gr.) = 1 scruple (℈)
3 scruples = 1 dram (ʒ)
8 drams = 1 ounce (℥)
12 ounces = 1 pound (lb.)

Table of Surface Measure

144 sq. in. = 1 sq. ft.
9 sq. ft. = 1 sq. yd.
30¼ sq. yds. = 1 sq. rod
160 sq. rods = 1 acre
640 acres = 1 sq. mile
An acre measures 208.71 ft. on each side.
A section of land is 1 sq. mile.
A quarter section is 160 acres.
A township is 36 sq. miles.